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IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

~~The electrical apparatus comprises a monitoring device of at least one electrical component comprising electromagnetic receiving means connected to at least one sensor, and designed to receive an electromagnetic radiation from electromagnetic emitting means. The electrical switchgear support in the form of a rail comprises electromagnetic emitting means designed to emit an electromagnetic radiation to at least one electrical apparatus. The monitoring device comprises electromagnetic emitting means designed to emit an electromagnetic radiation to at least one electrical apparatus and to receive a return signal. The electrical installation comprising electrical apparatuses, at least one support and or a monitoring device.~~

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An electrical apparatus including electrical components, wherein at least one of the electric components is a monitoring device including electromagnetic radiation receiving means connected to at least one sensor, the electromagnetic radiation receiving means for receiving electromagnetic radiation from electromagnetic emitting means, wherein the electromagnetic radiation receiving means are located on a side of the electrical apparatus and are for being directed towards a support including means for emitting an electromagnetic radiation, and the electromagnetic radiation receiving means is for supplying electrical power upon receipt of electromagnetic radiation from such means for emitting electromagnetic radiation located on such support.